

Agenda Date: November 8, 2006
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Docket: UW-061673
Company Name: Pattison Water Company, Inc.

Staff: Jim Ward, Regulatory Analyst
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Recommendation

Take no action on this filing at this time.

Discussion

Today's presentation is being made to allow customers or other parties to make comments to the commission. No action is required by the commission. Staff will make its recommendation to the commission at the open meeting on November 29, 2006.

On November 1, 2006, Pattison Water Company, Inc., (Pattison Water or company) filed for general rates for \$188,500 (49 percent) of additional revenue per year. The company serves 1,295 customers near Lacey located in Thurston county. The company states the reasons for filing is to help cover increase operational cost and capital improvement expenses. The company's billing cycle will change from bi-monthly to monthly. The rate design is changing to provide multiple rate blocks and a zero water allowance with the base meter charge to help encourage water conservation. The company's last general rate increase was September of 1995.

The commission has received one comment on this filing as of November 6, 2006, by a customer opposed to the increase. The customers were notified of this increase in a mailing on October 30, 2006. The current and proposed rates are provided below:

Monthly Rate	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
5/8 " Meter Includes 500 cf	\$19.50	NA
5/8 " Meter Zero Allowance	NA	\$19.00
3/4 " Meter Includes 750 cf	\$29.50	NA
3/4 " Meter Zero Allowance	NA	\$28.50
1 " Meter Includes 1,250 cf	\$48.75	NA
1 " Meter Zero Allowance	NA	\$47.50
1 1/2 " Meter Includes 2,500 cf	\$98.00	NA
1 1/2 " Meter Zero Allowance	NA	\$95.00
Over Base allowance shown above	\$1.00	NA
0-500cf	NA	\$1.20
501-2,000cf	NA	\$1.50
2,001-4,000cf	NA	\$1.80
Over 4,001cf	NA	\$3.00
Mobile Home Park / Unit - Flat	\$17.10	\$22.86

M&R Lady Dawn Meter Zero Allowance	\$22.50	\$19.00
0-1,000cf	\$1.10	NA
Over 1,000cf	\$1.35	NA
0-500cf	NA	\$1.20
501-2,000cf	NA	\$1.50
2,001-4,000cf	NA	\$1.80
Over 4,001cf	NA	\$3.00

cf = cubic feet (1 cubic foot = 7.48 gallons of water)

All usage rates are per 100 cubic feet of water used

Ancillary Charge	Current	Proposed
Service Visit	\$0.00	\$20.00
Late Payment	\$0.00	\$2.50
Account Set-up	\$0.00	\$15.00
NSF Check	\$15.00	\$20.00
Water Availability Letter	\$0.00	\$20.00
Fire Hydrant (within 500 feet)	\$1.00	\$1.00

Commission staff is reviewing the company's supporting financial documents, books and records.

Conclusion

Take no action.